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TAGS: CSCE, SW, SHUM  
SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER SODER COMMENTS ON AGAPOV CASE

REF: (A) 76 STOCKHOLM 5399, (B) 76 STOCKHOLM 6013

1. SWEDISH PRESS REPORTS JANUARY 13 THAT SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTER KARIN SODER, IN A CONVERSATION WITH THE SOVIET CHARGE, HAS EXPRESSED HER DISAPPOINTMENT OVER THE SOVIET UNION'S FAILURE TO ACT ON THE AGAPOV REUNIFICATION CASE. SODER REPORTEDLY REPEATED GOS REQUESTS THAT THIS CASE, WHICH HAS BEEN IN THE PUBLIC EYE HERE FOR SOME TIME (REFTELS AND PREVIOUS) BE RESOLVED.

2. SODER LATER TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE AGAPOV MATTER IS "AN IRRITATION IN SWEDISH-SOVIET RELATIONS", AND EXPRESSED PESSIMISM THAT A QUICK SOLUTION WOULD BE REACHED. SHE NOTED THAT THE SWEDISH PUBLIC AND THE GOS "PLACE GREAT IMPORTANCE ON QUESTIONS SUCH AS THESE BEING SOLVED, " BUT THAT SHE HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY INDICATIONS  
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THAT THE USSR WOULD TAKE A MORE POSITIVE ATTITUDE.

3. PRIOR TO SODER'S APPROACH TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY, SWEDISH PRESS REPORTED THAT AGAPOV'S WIFE HAD ONCE MORE BEEN DENIED PERMISSION TO EMIGRATE ON JANUARY 5. WHEN SHE REFUSED TO LEAVE THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR UNTIL SHE RECEIVED A SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION, SHE WAS REPORTEDLY

FORCIBLY REMOVED AND PLACED ONCE MORE IN A MENTAL  
INSTITUTION. DURING THE VISIT OF CSCE COMMISSION  
CHAIRMAN FASCELL TO STOCKHOLM, AGAPOV WAS INTERVIEWED  
BY COMMISSION STAFF MEMBERS  
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